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SUBJECT: CHINA EARTHQUAKE

REF: STATE 190430

1. NANCY TANG CALLED AT USLO EVENING JULY 31 TO ENQUIRE (ON BEHALF OF LEADERSHIP OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS) ABOUT WELFARE OF USLO PERSONNEL AND ABOUT OUR FUTURE PLANS. SHE ALSO TOOK THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THANKS FOR MY LETTER TO FOREIGN MINISTER EXTENDING USG OFFER OF ASSISTANCE. TANG SAID, QTE AS FOR YOUR MESSAGE, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SYMPATHY BUT AS YOU KNOW OUR PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS RELIED ON OUR OWN EFFORTS AND THIS IS THE CASE NOW. UNQTE. SHE SAID THAT THE CHAIRMAN AND THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR SYMPATHY TO THE PEOPLE IN THE AREA AFFECTED BY THE EARTHQUAKE. TANG CONCLUDED BY THANKING US ONCE AGAIN FOR OUR SYMPATHY.

2. LATER IN THE CONVERSATION WHEN I AGAIN REFERRED TO OUR GENUINE OFFER OF ANY TYPE OF ASSISTANCE, NANCY TANG SAID, QTE OF COURSE YOU KNOW OUR CONSISTENT PRACTICE OF NOT ACCEPTING ASSISTANCE, BUT WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SYMPATHY. UNQTE. SHE ADDED THAT THE CASUALTIES AND LOSSES AND DESTRUCTION FROM THE EARTHQUAKE WERE SEVERE BUT THAT GREAT RESCUE EFFORTS WERE UNDERWAY AND THAT
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THE CHINESE PEOPLE WOULD BE ABLE TO OVERCOME THE DAMAGE.

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